PROCLAMATION 2006-05 SPECIAL OLYMPICS AWARENESS WEEK OCTOBER 24 – NOVEMBER 4, 2006

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Warrick County, Indiana, as the Executive Branch of County Government, desires to recognize the Special Olympics Program in Warrick County; and

WHEREAS, Special Olympics Warrick County offers opportunities for the intellectually challenged along with Unified Partners to achieve great levels of success; and

WHEREAS, Special Olympics Warrick County offers bowling, basketball, golf swimming, track and field, horseshoes and alpine skiing; and

WHEREAS, Volunteers are always welcome to become involved in the Special Olympics movement and to experience through the eyes of the Athletes their joy in winning; and

WHEREAS, Sports combine individuals with intellectual disabilities called Athletes, and individuals without intellectual disabilities called Partners; and

WHEREAS, Special Olympics gives intellectually challenged Athletes an opportunity to achieve in the same manner as other athletes; and

WHEREAS, Special Olympics gives Athletes and Partners an opportunity to participate in Local, Area, State, National and World Games; and

WHEREAS, Special Olympics gives the Athletes and Partners a time of working hard for a goal but also the fun of working together as a team in order to accomplish their goals; and

WHEREAS, the Special Olympics started in 1968 by Eunice Kennedy Shriver, enables people who have intellectual disabilities to compete in sports and physical activities and to achieve a great level of success;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Warrick County Commissioners hereby proclaim October 25 – November 4, 2006 as Warrick County Special Olympics Awareness Week, and encourage its citizens to become involved in the program offered to our Athletes and Partners in Warrick County.

WARRICK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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